

Problem: To estimate the importance of (a) Iranian oil production and (b) total Middle East oil production to the viability of Western Europe in time of peace.

Assumption: (1) That ^{access to} ~~control of~~ (a) Iranian oil production and (b) total Middle East oil production ~~are~~ suddenly lost to the Western Powers by means other than war.

(2) That ^{the} ~~this~~ production ^{consumption} ~~assumption~~ and price of oil remain at the levels of late 1950.

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